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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

Herbert BOEGGE; Alfons MAESING; Leo LINDER; and Frank MUELLER
entitled: **SAFETY SYSTEM FOR OCCUPANTS OF A MOTOR VEHICLE**

Enclosed are:

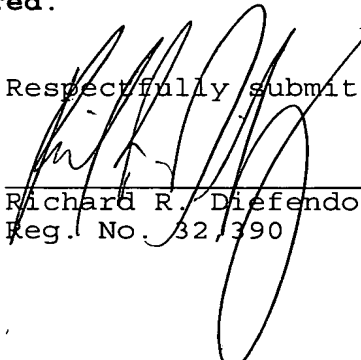
1. Specification, including 21 claims and Abstract of the Disclosure (11 pages).
2. 3 Sheets of Formal drawings showing Figs. 1-4.
3. Application Data Sheet (2 pages).
4. Certified copy of Priority Document 102 57 249.6 filed in Germany on December 7, 2002, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
5. Information Disclosure Statement & Form PTO-1449 with 10 references and copy of European Search Report.

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Total Claims	<u>21</u>	-	20	=	<u>1</u> x \$ 9/18 = \$ 18.00
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